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DRUG SCREENING

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003 be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from October 15, 2003 to and including January 15, 2004.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$475.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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